

REMARKS

Claims 16-19 are pending and new claims 21-37 have been added. Applicants have canceled claims 1-15 and 20 without prejudice. Amendment to the specification corrects a spelling error. The written description fully supports all claim amendments and new claims. No new matter has been added. The following paragraphs correspond to the paragraph numbering in the Office Action mailed October 14, 2003.

1.-7. Applicants affirm the election of Group 1, claims 1-14 and 16-20 pursuant to the Examiner's restriction.

8.-10. Applicants cancel claims 1-14.

11.-14. Claims 1-14 and 16-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Schwarz et al. (USPN 6,607,598) in view of Forster (USPN 4,581,242). Applicants have cancel claims 1-14 and 20. For the claims to be deemed obvious over the combination of references, every element of the claims must be disclosed by the combination. The combination cited by the Examiner fails to disclose "tilting the pan with respect to a horizontal plane such that an axis of rotation of the pan extends parallel to the horizontal plane," as recited by claim 16. There is also no suggestion by any of the references that the position of the axis needs to be parallel to the axis of rotation. Claims 17-19 directly or indirectly depend from allowable claim 16 and are allowable for at least the same reason. Applicants therefore respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

CONCLUSION

Claims 16-19 and 21-37 are pending. Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of claims 16-19. Applicants further request entry, consideration, and allowance of new claims 21-32. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, she should telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 954-0323.

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